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Gov. Jerry Apodaca  
Santa Fe., New Mexico 87501

Dear Governor Apodaca,

I am very concerned about Kennecott Copper Company's efforts to smash the United Steel Workers Local #890 in Bayard, New Mexico, through the technique of "disciplining" a number of the workers and their leaders and black-listing them.

I am a member of the United Farm Workers, AFL-CIO, having worked at Tenneco Farming Company's Ducor Ranch until the strike-lockout of our union against Tenneco in 1973. These big multi-national conglomerates are trying to use the hard times to smash the unions. I had seen the movie, "Salt of the Earth" about the New Mexico miners, shown at our union hall, so I really sympathize with them.

Please use your good offices to bring a little "law and order and justice" to those miners and that company. Kennecott, like Tenneco, would like to have nice docile peons, who work but are not allowed to think or to talk. If you allow this policy of firings and black-listings to take place, it will mean that the basic ideas of the Declaration of Independence and Constitution "Need not Apply" to miners and farm workers and people like us.

Sincerely,

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